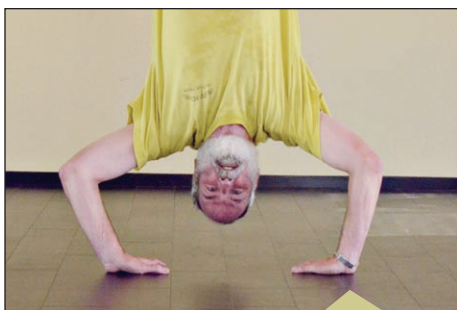




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Calendar

Barbie girl

Zeta Sigma Chi Sorority is sponsoring a talk examining the cultural evolution of the Barbie franchise, the ever-expanding backgrounds she represents and what this means for women in a multicultural world. The free event will be from 6-7 p.m. in BEN 1.102.

'Soldier of Love'

Sade will be performing tonight at the Erwin Center with special guest John Legend after a decade-long hiatus. The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. and tickets start at \$29.50.

Building Tomorrow

Learn how you can participate in building schools in Uganda with the nonprofit Building Tomorrow at their kick-off event in the SAC Auditorium 1.102. 7-8:30 p.m.

'My stapler...'

The Alamo Drafthouse and Austin Young Chamber of Commerce will be hosting an "Office Space" quote-along. There will be a special themed menu and door prizes. The movie starts at 6:30 p.m. and tickets are \$10 for members and \$15 for nonmembers.

Today in history

In 1996

Legendary rapper Tupac Shakur was shot in Las Vegas after attending a boxing match and died days later. His killer was never identified.

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Blaze destroys Bastrop area homes



Ryan Edwards | Daily Texan Staff

Paul Sandberg stands on the remains of the more than 30-year-old house that he built outside the city of Bastrop on Tuesday morning.

Central Texas officials await decision on wildfire disaster declaration

By Jillian Bliss
Daily Texan Staff

Fires continued to burn across Texas on Tuesday, creating chaos some believe will justify declaring a natural disaster.

Bastrop County officials said at a press conference Tuesday evening that Federal Emergency Management Agency representatives are currently reviewing requests to declare the area a natural disaster.

Mike Fisher, coordinator for Bastrop County Emergency Management, said approximately 34,800 acres have burned within the county and 336 fire crew personnel have been brought in from across the state to combat the flames. Fire

crews have determined the fires were responsible for two deaths, but as of press time were not able to release names or information on the fatalities. Fisher said approximately

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Muslim association organizes two September blood drives

By Andrew Messamore
Daily Texan Staff

With the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks approaching, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Students Association joined a national effort to improve the image of Muslims in America by sponsoring a blood drive on campus Tuesday.

In partnership with The Blood and Tissue Center of Central Texas, AMSA members sought volunteers outside while medical technicians inside worked quickly to take blood from students hurrying between classes.

"The goal of the drive was to get around 20 people to donate blood, in about three hours," said blood drive volunteer Michael Seager.

The drive went smoothly as medical technicians helped multiple students as others waited patiently at the back of the

blood donation bus. The AMSA, which is not associated with the Muslim Students Association, is

"Our goals are really to just promote peace, value the sanctity of life and raise awareness about Islam."
—Usama Malik, AMSA officer

an organization with about 10 current members at UT. This was the largest blood drive yet for

AMSA — they were able to meet their goal of 20 donors.

The UT group was not the only one collecting blood. Tuesday's effort was one of 220 Ahmadiyya drives on college campuses and other locations throughout the country.

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, an international Muslim organization that AMSA represents, was started in India in 1889 as a way to preach the fundamental ideas of the Ahmadiyya Community as well as remove misconceptions about Islam based on ignorance or willful discrimination, according to the AMSA website.

With these blood drives, the larger Ahmadiyya Community hopes to gather 10,000 bags of blood, said AMSA officer Usama Malik.

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Mary Kang | Daily Texan Staff

Phlebotomist Josh Crowley draws blood from human biology junior Irtiza Sheikh during the Ahmadiyya Muslim Students Association blood drive Tuesday afternoon on Speedway.



Luis Jasso | Daily Texan Staff

Artist Mika Tajima gives a lecture on the boundaries of perception at the Edgar A. Smith Auditorium on Tuesday evening.

UT resident artist's exhibit 'opens up possibilities'

By Lydia Herrera
Daily Texan Staff

Standing in the midst of slide projections, scaffolds and paintings displaying vivid and energetic colors, artist Mika Tajima quietly surveyed her work as it neared completion Tuesday in the Visual Arts Center.

At a Blanton Museum event on campus Tuesday, Tajima, the new

artist-in-residence at the UT, explained her creation process for her exhibit "The Architect's Garden," set to be open from Sept. 9 until Dec. 17 in the Visual Arts Center.

The exhibit combines painting, sculpture, architecture and video and incorporates elements from the UT and Austin community. Tajima said she based her exhibit

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High demand, short supply raise Austin apartment rents

By Nick Hadjigeorge
Daily Texan Staff

The cost of renting an apartment in Austin has increased 10.1 percent over the last six months, according to a report by the rental property research group Axiometrics Inc.

The rent increase resulted from a combination of factors, said Ronald Johnsey, president of Axiometrics. Approximately 13,500 jobs were created in Austin between

July 2010 and July 2011, and the supply of housing can't keep up with the demand.

The 10.1-percent growth rate is considerably higher than the national average of 5.36 percent and is the largest rate increase in Texas since 2009, according to the report.

"[These are] incredible rates compared to other parts of the country," Johnsey said. "The government,

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Quote to note

"Once I got out on that field, it was just kind of natural for me. I felt like I was supposed to be there."

—Jaxon Shipley
Freshman wide receiver

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A man walks along Speedway in front of the Larry R. Faulkner Nano Science and Technology Building Tuesday afternoon.

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on the two major standpoints of UT architecture and the idea of cultural refusal.

She said she incorporated aspects of UT architecture with references in the print patterns to the Perry-Castañeda Library, window shapes and building forms.

“I’m always sort of looking to architecture as a reference because that’s the way we navigate, through the space architecture forms — the social spaces we interact in and our human behavior is sort of determined by it” Tajima said.

She said she also used the idea of refusal and how it is dealt with in these sorts of spaces, exploring the different metaphorical modes of being and becoming in her

work. Tajima references Austin-based filmmaker Richard Linklater’s “Slacker” and how the characters refuse to take on a prescribed lifestyle and instead take on different roles or routes.

“[Slacker’s] very Austin but a type of idea I’ve been working with in previous shows, a painting refusing to be only a painting,” Tajima said.

Many of the visual references in Tajima’s work are from around the campus and city, said Aimee Chang, manager of public programs at the Blanton. Chang said Tajima used images of books from the PCL website, the stylized word ‘Detour’ from Linklater’s website and created posters with imagery inspired

by the history of the Austin Film Society.

Chang said art opens up the possibilities of a lot of different things while not having single answers, and this show does this in particular with its hybrid pieces. It opens up possibilities for people, she said.

It’s especially interesting how she incorporates video, performance and painting into her exhibit, said studio art senior Chantal Wnuk. Wnuk said she is excited to see how the entire exhibit comes together.

Tajima said she hopes to encourage people to look at her exhibit and think about the ideas behind it, and that it sparks something in their minds or imagination.

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as a result of the program, but only for the first semester.

“The long-term effects are not totally clear,” Prince said. “But it is safe to assume that all of the positive effects we see here during the first semester tend to subside after the holidays, on par with the national study.”

The “college effect” is the universal assumption that all

incoming freshmen will inevitably be confronted with alcohol in college and will make poor decisions because of a lack of an immediate support system. Prince said that the so-called “college effect” is something that universities across the country are attempting to overcome, particularly with the help of AlcoholEdu.

Prince said the University does not see as much harm caused by alcohol as many other universities in the United States do.

“UT actually falls below the national average of alcohol-related incidents and is therefore not as big of a party school as people think,” Prince said.

He said UT Austin actually has a relatively high number of students who reported in AlcoholEdu that they considered themselves nondrinkers.

Despite the increase in alcohol-related incidents in the spring semester, some students believe AlcoholEdu provides incoming freshmen with pertinent knowledge about how to make informed choices.

“Even though I already knew a lot of the information taught

in the course, some of the videos made me think about how I would handle a crisis caused by alcohol,” said political communications freshman Emily Linn.

In addition to AlcoholEdu, the University Health Services office provides several programs for educating students on handling alcohol such as alcohol and other drug consultations, where students can speak with a licensed professional counselor about and alcohol and drug issues.

According to the NIAAA’s study, these UT resources combined with the completion of AlcoholEdu is the most effective way to reduce the harmful effects of alcohol on college campuses.

Although AlcoholEdu provides students with certain insights on alcohol-related situations, some students have doubts about the program’s effectiveness in realistic individual experiences.

“[AlcoholEdu] did make me think about how I would handle certain things, but who knows what would happen in real life,” said liberal arts freshman Jordan Smith.

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University and high tech industry make Austin a very attractive place for people to live and work.”

The research group forecasts high growth rates for the next few years, but they also predict the rate of increase in Austin may slow to 7.1 percent in 2012.

David Mintz, vice president of government affairs for the Texas

Apartment Association, said that in addition to new job creation, rental property owners are finding this a good time to raise rents and make up for some of the lost revenue of recent years.

“[There was] a long period of time when the market wasn’t allowing for rent increases. At this point in time it is more favorable to do that,” Mintz said. “[There is] a lot of demand without a lot of new product.”

Members of the UT community who live off campus are not

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“Our goals are really to just promote peace, value the sanctity of life and raise awareness about Islam,” Malik said. “Of course with the 9/11 attacks you had terrorists rallying under Islam, and they tarnished the name of our religion. We want to work to undo that negative image.”

He said that with the 10-year anniversary of the September 11th attacks approaching, AMSA is working actively to fight against the negative stereotypes that resulted from the loss of life in 2001.

“Here, we want to show how Islam is committed to the mutual effort of saving lives in the act of giving blood and commemorate the anniversary of the tragedy on 9/11,” Malik said.

Freshman blood donor Angie Vital said she was impressed both by the efficiency of the drive and its outreach mission.

“If [AMSA] wants to work for a positive image I think they are doing the right thing,” Vital said. “Nothing works better than to reach out in a positive manner like this.”

Association members said they are planning another blood drive at the same location on Sept. 11.

“[There is] a lot of demand without a lot of new product.” —David Mintz, Vice president of government affairs

NEWS BRIEFLY

Court changes eligibility terms for child green card applicants

PASADENA, Calif. — Immigrants might have to wait longer to bring their now-adult children to the United States after they themselves had waited years to get here, a federal appeals court has ruled.

A three-judge panel for the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled Friday that a 2002 law aiming to prevent lengthy processing from affecting children’s immigration applications does not enable all of the children, once they are grown, from immigrating to the U.S. quickly.

It can take more than a decade to obtain a green card through a relative, but only children younger than 21 can immigrate on their parents’ petitions. That means children may wait years to get a green card with their parents only to find out they got too old to qualify for

one while they were waiting.

Immigration attorneys argued that the 2002 law meant these now-grown children should be allowed here soon after their parents, now green card holders, filed paperwork on their behalf.

But Citizenship and Immigration Services argued these now-grown children were new applicants and must start the process anew. That can be years more waiting, especially for immigrants from countries such as the Philippines and Mexico because of country-based immigration quotas.

Immigration attorneys who argued the case say thousands of immigrants face similar delays in bringing their children here. The attorneys will likely request a rehearing before the full appeals court, said Carl Shusterman, one of the attorneys representing immigrants in the suit.

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Candidate Romney proposes jobs plan, fights off Gov. Perry

By Kasie Hunt
The Associated Press

NORTH LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Casting himself as America's CEO, Republican presidential hopeful Mitt Romney on Tuesday outlined a sweeping economic plan that would reduce regulations and taxes on companies, sanction China over its currency practices and weaken the clout of labor unions.

Trying to hold off surging rival Rick Perry, Romney traveled to economically suffering Nevada and stood inside a giant truck warehouse to deliver his multi-point plan designed to position him as the GOP contender with the most comprehensive approach to fixing the economy.

"This is a business plan for America," Romney told supporters as he promoted his plan as one designed to modernize an economy he says is still oriented toward earlier decades — and held up General Electric CEO Jack Welch and former Apple CEO Steve Jobs as "real deal" leaders in the U.S. economy.

It's a version of the economic pitch Romney has been making throughout the campaign so far — but it's now been sharpened to highlight how his private-sector record contrasts with Perry, the Texas governor, who has held elected office for more than two decades.

Perry's campaign sharply criticized Romney immediately after the address. "As governor of Massachusetts, Mitt Romney failed to create a pro-jobs environment," Perry spokesman Mark Miner said in a statement. When Romney was

governor, Massachusetts ranked 47th out of 50 in job creation.

Romney's plan calls for reducing or eliminating several taxes, extracting more U.S. oil, coal and natural gas, expanding trade pacts and slashing federal spending. His campaign distributed the 160-page booklet, and Romney explained it in an at-times rambling speech delivered without prepared text or a teleprompter.

Democrats called Romney's plan wrong-headed and doomed to fail. Taxes already are near historic lows, they noted, and many employers say weak consumer demand is more troubling than taxes or regulation.

Many of his proposals are not new, although they could cause fierce debates in Congress if pursued. He would seek a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution, cut non-security discretionary spending by 5 percent, eliminate the estate tax and undo the 2010 health care overhaul championed by President Barack Obama.

The jobs plan is Romney's first major policy statement since he announced his candidacy in June. It came two days ahead of Obama's scheduled speech on jobs before a joint session of Congress.

Romney's campaign predicted that his overall plan would lead to 4-percent annual growth in the U.S. economy, and create 11.5 million new jobs over four years. The campaign did not provide details of how it reached those projections, which are certain to be challenged by Democrats, independent groups and perhaps his GOP rivals.



Israeli Mike Guzafsky, a settler who trains guard and attack dogs for settlements, performs a training exercise in the West Bank settlement of Elazar on Aug. 30. Israeli soldiers, policemen and West Bank settlers are rehearsing for possible unrest when Palestinians plan to hold demonstrations supporting their bid to win recognition of an independent state at the United Nations.

Bernat Armangué
Associated Press

Palestinian officials refuse to accede US pressure on statehood

By Mohammed Daraghme
The Associated Press

RAMALLAH, West Bank — The Palestinians on Tuesday said they would not give in to American pressure to drop their bid for statehood at the United Nations, taking a tough position ahead of a meeting with a senior U.S. delegation.

Two senior White House envoys, David Hale and Dennis Ross, arrived in the region on Tuesday for talks with Israel and Palestinian officials. The U.S. has been trying to persuade the Palestinians to drop their plan to ask the U.N. this month to approve their independence and instead resume peace talks.

Yasser Abed Rabbo, a top adviser to Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, said there was little the Americans could do to

change the Palestinians' plans.

"We are going to the United Nations, regardless of objections or pressure," he said. Abbas is expected to meet with Hale on Wednesday. Ross, who is viewed by the Palestinians as pro-Israel, was not scheduled to attend the meeting.

The comments signaled more frustration for President Barack Obama, who has made little progress in nurturing peace talks despite pledges to make Mideast diplomacy a priority.

The Palestinians say they are turning to the U.N. after years of sporadic and inconclusive peace talks with Israel.

Israel captured the West Bank and east Jerusalem — areas claimed by the Palestinians — in the 1967 Mideast war. Both Israel and the U.S. oppose the U.N. initiative,

saying peace can be reached only through negotiations. Israel has called for a resumption of talks without preconditions.

In a separate matter, an Israeli defense official said Tuesday that the military has temporarily suspended its contentious policy of demolishing illegally built Palestinian homes in the West Bank. The official said the order was issued after determining the policy is not equally enforced against illegally built Jewish settler homes.

Palestinians have bitterly complained that demolitions are arbitrary and lopsided and that it's difficult for them to get Israeli construction permits.

The official spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss the order, which was issued in an internal memorandum.

Also Tuesday, Netanyahu condemned the torching of a mosque in the West Bank earlier in the week, that came a few hours after the Israeli military dismantled structures in an unauthorized West Bank outpost. The name of the outpost, Migron, was spray painted on the mosque, suggesting the act was settler retaliation for the demolitions.

Menachem Froman, a rabbi from the settlement of Tekoa who promotes coexistence between Palestinians and settlers, visited the mosque on Tuesday to reconcile between the two sides.

In Gaza on Tuesday, a Palestinian militant was killed by an Israeli missile as he fired rockets at southern Israel, Gaza Health Ministry spokesman Adham Abu Salmia said. The Israeli military said it hit militants firing mortars.



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VIEWPOINT

Statistical stand-off

The University released a report Thursday evaluating efficiency and graduation rates, its first campus-wide, research-based rebuttal to criticisms of its productivity.

The report was authored by Marc Musick, a sociology professor and associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts. Musick also signed off on a report compiled by the liberal arts deans in July in response to the now-infamous “Seven Breakthrough Solutions” pushed by businessman and former UT professor Jeff Sandefer and the Texas Public Policy Foundation.

The report stacks UT against other public universities across the country using various efficiency measures. The report asserts that while much improvement is needed, UT ranks near the top among public universities in many areas, such as six-year graduation rate (13th), percentage of students graduating per tuition and tax dollar (10th) and faculty employed per taxpayer and tuition dollar (2nd).

The report does a fair job in contextualizing the issues that have recently surrounded higher education. It presents UT’s first on-paper rebuttal after months of political rhetoric. It also puts forward the University’s primary argument, which is that despite its dismal 51-percent four-year graduation rate, UT graduates more first-year students than any other public research university.

However, like other numerically-decorated higher education reports in the last few controversy-filled months, statistics are the paint to a predetermined picture. In its seemingly-arbitrary efficiency measurements, the report cites other universities’ six-year graduation rates, where it compares comfortably at No. 13, as opposed to its four-year graduation rate, where it sits at No. 21.

Another efficiency measure in the report adds the annual tuition and state contribution per student and divides it by the number of professors to calculate the “professor efficiency in dollars per student tuition and state funds.” This does not at all take into account factors such as salaries of administrators, faculty, staff and students. It also does not take into account endowed chairs and departmental stipends. Yet UT ranks second in this largely unrevealing statistic.

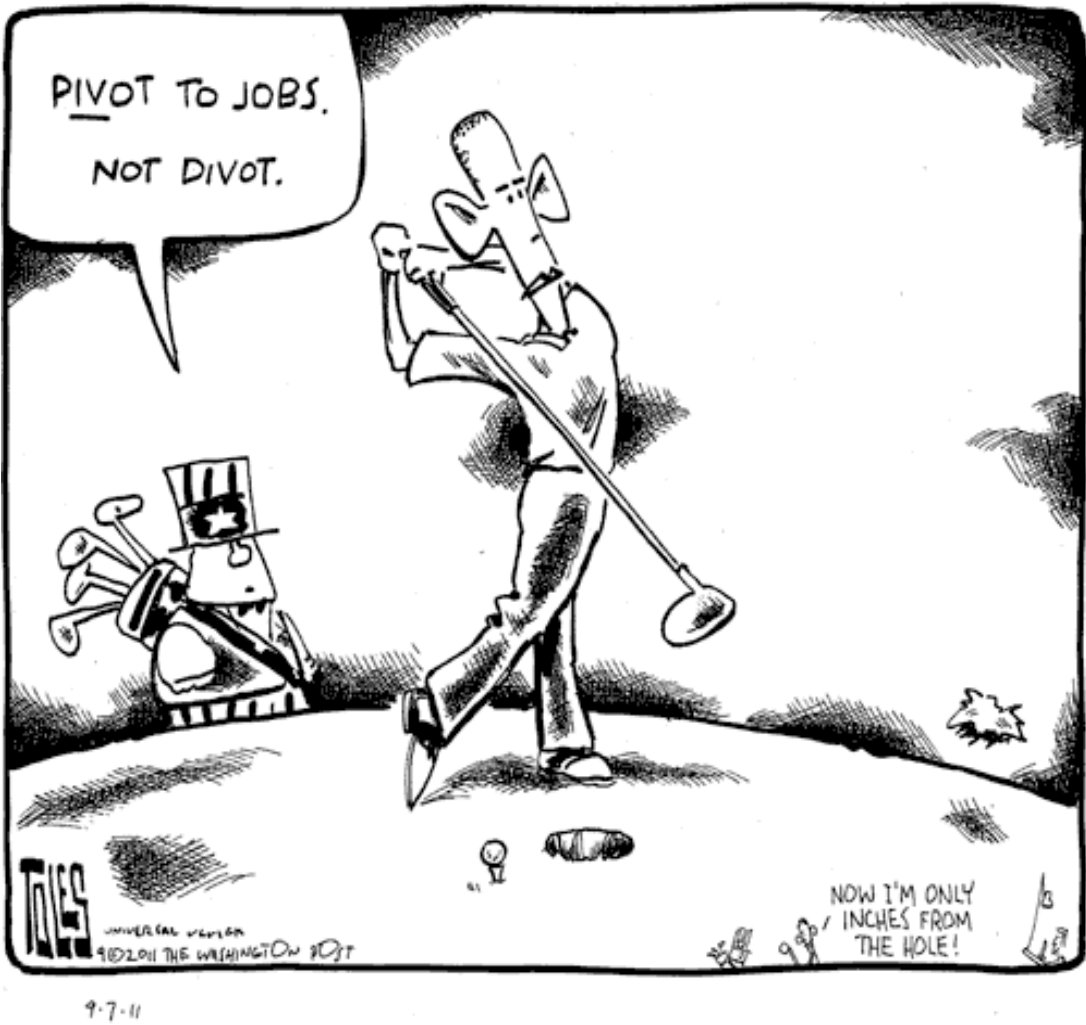
Perhaps the most confusing aspect of the report is its claim of a causal relationship between tenure and tenure-track professors on campus and median SAT scores. While there’s little doubt of the tremendous value these professors can have on a campus, the effect of the sheer number or proportion of full professors is likely only a correlation. SAT scores, which are said to be predictive of a student’s graduation rate, have much more to do with admission standards. UT’s median SAT score of 1165, which is lower than most of its peers, is more likely attributable to the state’s guaranteed-admissions rule. If a high school senior is in the top 7 percent of his or her high school class and is set on attending UT, he or she does not have much of an incentive to do well on the SAT.

The report deftly uses UT’s size, combined with relatively low tuition and low state investment, to present high levels of efficiency. The irony is that the same quantities-of-scale argument that serves the report well is sometimes used in the opposite context. President William Powers Jr. explained at a Faculty Council meeting in March how the University tries to avoid surveys and rankings that penalize large research institutions by dividing factors by the total number of students.

As the University carries out its he-crunched-she-crunched statistical battle against number-skewing detractors, the real victim is students. As Musick said in his report: “One of the most important student outcomes for any university is degree completion. Just as important, if not more so, is the need to provide an excellent educational experience that produces high-quality degrees and an academic foundation for their students’ lives.”

In the name of efficiency, let’s not forget education.

— Shabab Siddiqui for the editorial board



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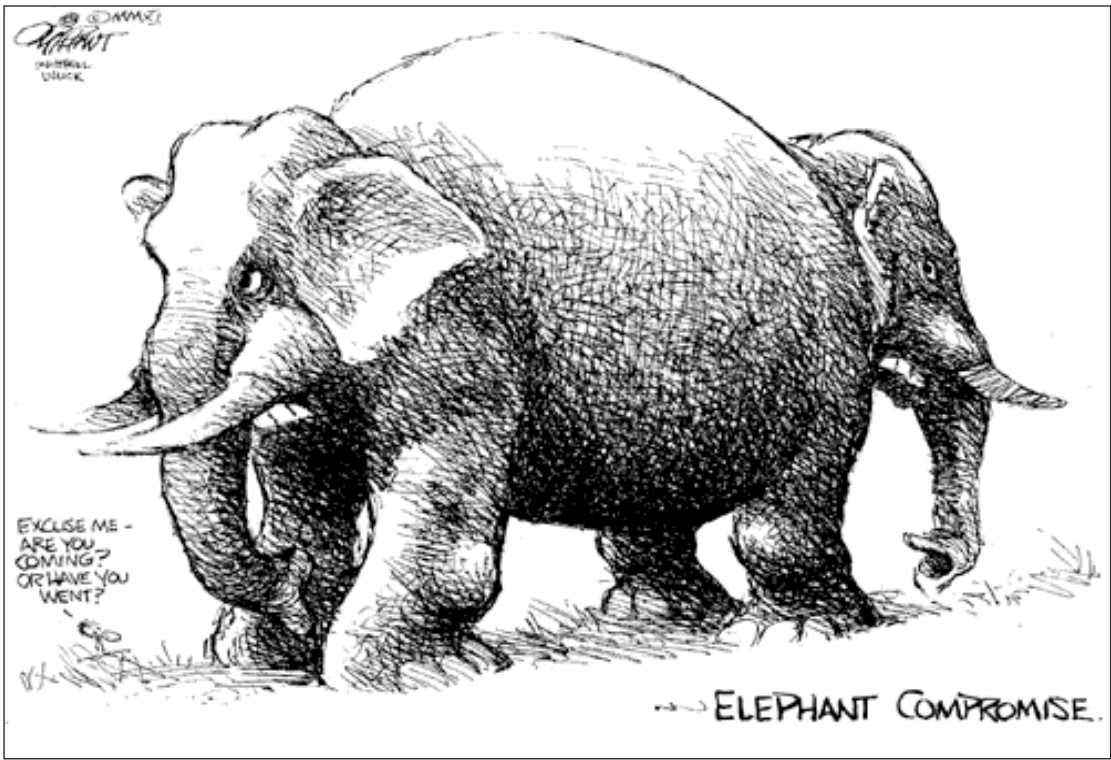
On Thursday, students and other members of the UT community received a message from President William Powers Jr. informing them of a recent study published by Marc Musick, associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts, that claims that UT is the one of the most efficient universities in the country. This study, as opposed to previous attempts by critics of the University, pointed out how UT compared to other schools.

While it’s certainly reassuring to know that our school is more “efficient” than say, Texas A&M, being better than most doesn’t make us “good” by default. The cost of higher education in this country has been surging nationwide, including here at UT. Just because our University is fleecing its students at slightly lesser rates than other institutions should not constitute a moral victory. Rather, that distinction is akin to being dubbed the “most likeable moron” or the “most polite burglar.”

In fact, this kind of defense is becoming common practice at UT as our administration continues to try to justify the status quo. In December 2010, the UT System office published its own calculated response to a survey published by the Chronicle of Higher Education that, among other data, showed UT’s average salary for administrators was \$123,136, compared to \$85,910 for faculty. What was the UT System’s response? To argue that UT’s own preposterous increase in spending was lower than those of other universities. Sound familiar?

If anything, the fact that our leaders are aware of the current crisis and are at least willing to discuss it should be added incentive to commit to actual substantial reforms, ones that reprioritize the goals of this institution. Those objectives should be grounded in the welfare and education of UT’s students and this state’s residents. Frivolous and wasteful expenses — such as the massive new Liberal Arts Building, consultants with six-figure salaries or indulgent self-admiration disguised as research — are contradictory to those missions.

Dave Player
Student, UT School of Law



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577 homes in the Bastrop area have been devastated or destroyed and at least 20 neighborhoods evacuated. “Damage to this community is reflective of all Texas,” said Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples. “This is the worst burn season ever.”

Fisher said fire crews are making progress at containing both the original Bastrop County Complex fire and the Union Chapel fire, which began burning after the first Bastrop fire and is located in the southwestern part of the county. He said approximately 15 percent of the Union Chapel fire is contained, but crews have not been able to bring any of the Bastrop County Complex fire under control.

Officials are currently surveying damage where possible, and the earliest residents can hope to return to their homes is the upcoming weekend, he said.

“The reality is even if the Union Chapel fire was the only fire we had, I’d still be heartbroken,” Fisher said. “I feel for these folks. The sooner we get these people back home the better off we are.”

Evacuation centers were set up at Bastrop Middle School, Bastrop Ascension Catholic Church, Bastrop Community Outreach Church, Elgin Family Worship and the Smithville Recreation Center for residents displaced during the fire.

Bastrop residents such as 16-year-old Kaine Turner, who were not directly impacted by the fires, are donating their time to the different shelters, distributing supplies and comforting refugees. Turner said he called everyone he knew when he first heard of the fires and took advantage of public school closures to support his community.

The fire that blazed through the Steiner Ranch area Monday is 45-percent contained as of press time, and residents were allowed to return to the subdivision Tuesday at noon. Fire crews are still investigating origins of the fire, although downed power lines are believed to be the source of the disaster. Travis County Fire Chief Jim Linardos said area residents should still take caution, as crews are still working to contain more of the fire. Shelters at Vandegrift High School and Rouse High School have been set up for residents facing potential long-term displacement.

Steve Termeer, general manager of the UT Golf Club located within Steiner Ranch, said club staff became very concerned when asked to evacuate Monday. Termeer said the club previously suffered a fire in 2008 that caused \$7 million in losses.

“We completely lost the clubhouse before,” Termeer said. “It looks like we lost power for a little less than 24 hours, but we didn’t lose anything at all which is great because this really could have gone the other way.”



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LEFT, Ken Smeltzer, right, hugs neighbor Heather Lutz, center, on Tuesday afternoon after seeing her burnt home for the first time since wildfires swept through the 4,000-home community on Sunday.

TOP, Norma and T.J. Harais place the burnt remains of Norma’s bible in a trash bag to prevent further damage. After rummaging through the remains of their Steiner Ranch home, which was destroyed by wildfires this week, the two only found her bible and a mug.

ABOVE, Dan Sterns, right, sifts through the remains of his Steiner Ranch home Tuesday afternoon when residents were allowed to return to the community, one of many hit by Central Texas wildfires.

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Freshmen make huge impact on field for Horns



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Freshman receiver Jaxon Shipley runs after the catch in Saturday's game against Rice. Shipley and 24 other members of the Texas freshman class saw playing time in the game, including running back Malcolm Brown, who lead the Longhorns with 86 rushing yards.

Shipley, Brown and company make fans forget about their youth after strong first game

By Austin Laymance
Daily Texan Staff

The Longhorns' highly touted freshman class offered its first glimpse of things to come in the season opener, and for now, it looks like the program is in good hands.

Texas played 18 true freshmen and seven redshirt freshmen in Saturday's win over Rice, the most of any team in the country.

It did not take long for them to make their presence felt.

Jaxon Shipley hauled in the year's first TD pass, a 36-yard connection with red-shirt freshman receiver and former high school quarterback John Harris, on a gadget in the third quarter. The receiver said his first score in a Texas uniform certainly didn't go the way he envisioned it.

"I thought about if I were to score, what it would be on, but it was nothing like I expected," Shipley said.

Jaxon, the younger brother of former Longhorn and current NFL wideout Jordan Shipley, finished the game with two catches for 54 yards and rushed for 25 yards on three carries. Shipley, the first freshman receiver in Texas history to catch a touchdown in the season opener, was named the game's most valuable player on offense by the coaching staff.

Although his older brother watched closely from the sidelines, and a large contingent of family and friends traveled

from Brownwood and Abilene to soak in his first game, Shipley said the butterflies left his stomach once the first whistle blew.

"I was more nervous when I woke up than I was before the game started," Shipley said. "Once I got out on that field, it was just kind of natural for me. I felt like I was supposed to be there."

Malcolm Brown, the Longhorns' prized

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COLUMN

Texas fans read up: a guide for proper fan etiquette in DKR

By Nick Cremona
Daily Texan Columnist

The Longhorns were able to handle Rice on the field Saturday, but there were still some glaring issues among the 101,000 fans that need to be ironed out before Texas takes on BYU this week. Here are some tips on proper game etiquette that will enhance your overall game day experience.

First things first: Unless you're in a fraternity or are shoveling dung from Bevo's personal lounge in the end zone, you don't need to be wearing jeans to a game in September. The Rice game wasn't moved from

six to seven to accommodate fans who wanted to rock jeans and sweaters. As much as I want to break out my long johns and North Face, it's just not that time of year yet. It should go without saying that shorts and a T-shirt or polo will suffice for male game day attire. On a side note, don't EVER wear another school's hat or shirt to a Texas game. It really doesn't make sense to see LSU or any other gear at a Longhorn game — just don't do it, bro. Girls, you look good — keep it up.

The guy in jeans and wool sweater threw me off a bit, but I was actually shocked when I saw one person smoking a cigarette

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Texas fans had some etiquette problems on Saturday versus Rice, but these fans are an example of how to show Texas spirit the right way.

FOOTBALL



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Junior wide receiver Marquise Goodwin will be back in burnt orange for Texas against BYU. Goodwin had originally planned to redshirt this year to focus on his Olympic track dreams.

Goodwin back on gridiron for 2011

Receiver 'couldn't live without football,' so he's back on team for 2011

By Christian Corona
Daily Texan Staff

Last weekend, junior wide receiver Marquise Goodwin kept up with Texas' season opener via Twitter while he was thousands of miles away from Austin. This Saturday, Goodwin said he will take off his red shirt and put his Longhorn uniform back onto a more familiar playing field.

Goodwin said he had originally decided to take a year off from football to focus on his 2012 Olympic track aspirations. He competed in the World Championships held in Daegu, South Korea, last week, finishing 13th in the qualifying

round of the long jump competition. The top 12 advanced to the final round. Despite tying with two others for 11th, Goodwin found himself on the outside looking in following a tie-breaking jump, knocking him out. Returning home, Goodwin said he had a change of heart concerning football at UT this fall.

"When I came back to the [United] States, I just knew that I couldn't live without football," Goodwin added.

Goodwin, whose first day of classes and football practice were Tuesday, said he will play this Saturday against BYU and plans to work on returning kickoffs this week. Head coach Mack Brown said five to 10 plays would be a reasonable target for Goodwin in that game. Even though he only had two seasons under his belt, Good-

win is one of the more experienced receivers on the team.

"The one thing he brings to the table right away is his instant credibility with the success he's had on the football field as well as the track," said wide receivers coach Darrell Wyatt.

"Anytime you put a guy out there on the field with his speed, he has to be respected by the defense. Certainly, that's going to open up other guys for one-on-one match-ups."

Goodwin said that his teammates did not believe it when he told them he was coming back. When Garrett Gilbert saw No. 84 back on the practice field, Goodwin said Gilbert looked at him like he was a "ghost."

As fast as Goodwin is, he could seem like a ghost to opposing defenses as well. BYU will be the first team he'll get a chance to scare this season.

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SPORTS BRIEFLY

Stoops says Sooners would be willing to move without Texas

Amid all the talk of conference realignment the past few weeks, Oklahoma head coach Bob Stoops has mentioned that Oklahoma would be willing to move to the Pac-12 without Texas, breaking up the pair's historic rivalry.

"I don't think it's necessary [to continue playing]," Stoops said Tuesday during his weekly news conference. "No one wants to hear that, but life changes. If it changes, you have to change with it — to whatever degree."

The annual rivalry at the Cotton Bowl has been going on for 111 years and is a big draw for both schools for prestige and for recruiting purposes. However, Stoops downplayed the importance of the game.

"It may [matter] a little bit," he said, "but overall, I don't think it would drastically."

— Chris Hummer

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only feet away from me. The notice about not smoking that flashed on the 300-foot-tall video board minutes before should do enough to remind people to not smoke in the stands, and that outdoor smoking areas are made available. I was able to catch his attention and motioned to the cigarette in his mouth — only to be asked if I wanted one, too, to which I politely declined. If it were a cigar and a nice glass of bourbon, we could have negotiated something, but once again the stadium is not your personal ashtrey. The football game may not quell some people's desire to have a smoke, but at least go to the designated areas if you must.

The last thing that I noticed from the Rice game is something that has been going on for quite some time, and it needs to be put to an end now. When "The Eyes of Texas" is being played at the end of the game, your outstretched arm should remain still until "Gabriel blows his horn" and not a moment sooner. Some people get it, mostly upperclassmen. It's a school tradition and should be taken seriously. Not Texas A&M serious, but have some pride and do it the right way. Sure, there are things more important than a song and what you're doing with your arm while it's playing, but it's been around since 1903 and we should all do it right.

Overall, the crowd was great for the first game of the season. As the season wears on, people will catch on that smoking around 101,000 other fans is not the most widely accepted activity at a game and subsequently kick the habit. Once Texas' version of winter hits town, we will all be able to wear nice sweaters that may or may not have been gifts from Grandma, and by the end of the year everyone will be singing "The Eyes of Texas" the right way.

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tailback who may have more hype surrounding him than Shipley, had to wait for his moment in the spotlight.

When he finally got his chance, though, Brown showed why he was the No. 2 running back prospect coming out of high school. He finished with a team-high 16 carries and powered his way for 86 yards, the fourth highest by a Texas freshman in a season opener.

He broke loose for a 20-yard gain and consistently moved the pile, displaying the powerful running style that had scouts drooling.

While Brown may emerge as the best runner in the Texas backfield this season, he was the fourth tailback to come into the game not seeing the field in the first half.

Fellow freshman Joe Bergeron entered the game before Brown

and carried six times for 26 yards. Head coach Mack Brown pointed to the 10 days of practice Malcolm missed in the fall with an injured hamstring as the reason behind the wait.

"I knew I wasn't just going to pop in there and be the starting guy right off the bat," Malcolm Brown said. "You've got to gradually work your way up to that."

Yes, it's too early for the coaching staff to name Brown

the starter, considering senior tailback Fozzy Whittaker's two-touchdown performance. Still, Whittaker said he was impressed by what he saw from the freshmen.

"They had to get those first game jitters out. For them to go out and perform the way they did was very encouraging," Whittaker said. "Those young guys are going to have a big, significant role for us this year."

Should Texas fans be cautious about the amount of hype and lofty expectations being heaped on these freshmen so early in the season?

"There is a little pressure, but the coaches talk to me sometimes and tell me not to worry about all that," Brown said.

Get used to this bunch, they are likely to see the field more than any other freshman class in the Mack Brown-era.

Strasburg back with Nats after surgery

By Joseph White
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Stephen Strasburg allowed two hits over five shutout innings Tuesday night in his first major league start since undergoing Tommy John surgery, but the bullpen blew the lead as the Washington Nationals lost 7-3 to the Los Angeles Dodgers.

The 2009 overall No. 1 draft pick again displayed the blurry fastball, the knee-buckling sinker and the fooled-again changeup that wowed the baseball world last year during his rookie season. Those magical days of "Strasmus" came to an abrupt end when his elbow popped on Aug. 21 in Philadelphia, and his long road back began when he had the now-familiar, career-saving ligament replacement surgery last Sept. 3.

The 23-year-old right-hander wound his way through six minor league rehab starts with four teams in four states over the last month, culminating with a majors return which was easily the most anticipated event of the season for a Nationals club trying to avoid a fourth consecutive last-place NL East finish. Daylong rains from the remnants of Tropical Storm Lee threatened to postpone the game, but, when it came time to play, the weather put itself on hold for the pitcher wearing jersey No. 37 and those gotta-love-'em traditional high red knee-socks.

His workload carefully moni-



Stephen Strasburg of the Nationals delivers a pitch on Tuesday night in his first game back after Tommy John surgery on his elbow.

tored, Strasburg threw 56 pitches, 40 for strikes. He struck out four, didn't walk a batter, and a string of 11 in a row retired ended when Juan Rivera was generously given a hit for a ground ball that went under shortstop Ian Desmond's glove. His fastball peaked at 99 mph.

The game started five minutes late, and Strasburg's first pitch was a 96 mph fastball that was fouled away by Dee Gordon. On a 2-1 pitch — clocking 97 mph — Gordon punched the ball to left-center and legged out a double. He was left stranded when Strasburg retired the next three batters with two fly-outs and a groundout.

Strasburg started cruising in the second, striking out Andre Ethier with a 90 mph changeup and Aar-

on Miles with a 99 mph fastball. He worked fast — just as he did as a rookie — barely pausing between pitches and making Lily look like an absolute slowpoke by comparison.

Sensing Strasburg's night was nearly done, the crowd was on its feet with two outs in the fifth. Strasburg rewarded them by getting Justin Sellers to foul out to third baseman Ryan Zimmerman on a 97 mph fastball. Strasburg then headed toward the dugout, where he was greeted on the top step with a handshake from manager Davey Johnson.

Of course, there was no way Strasburg could match his major league debut, when he struck out 14 Pittsburgh Pirates on June 8, 2010. He finished 5-3 as a rookie, with a 2.91 ERA in 12 starts.

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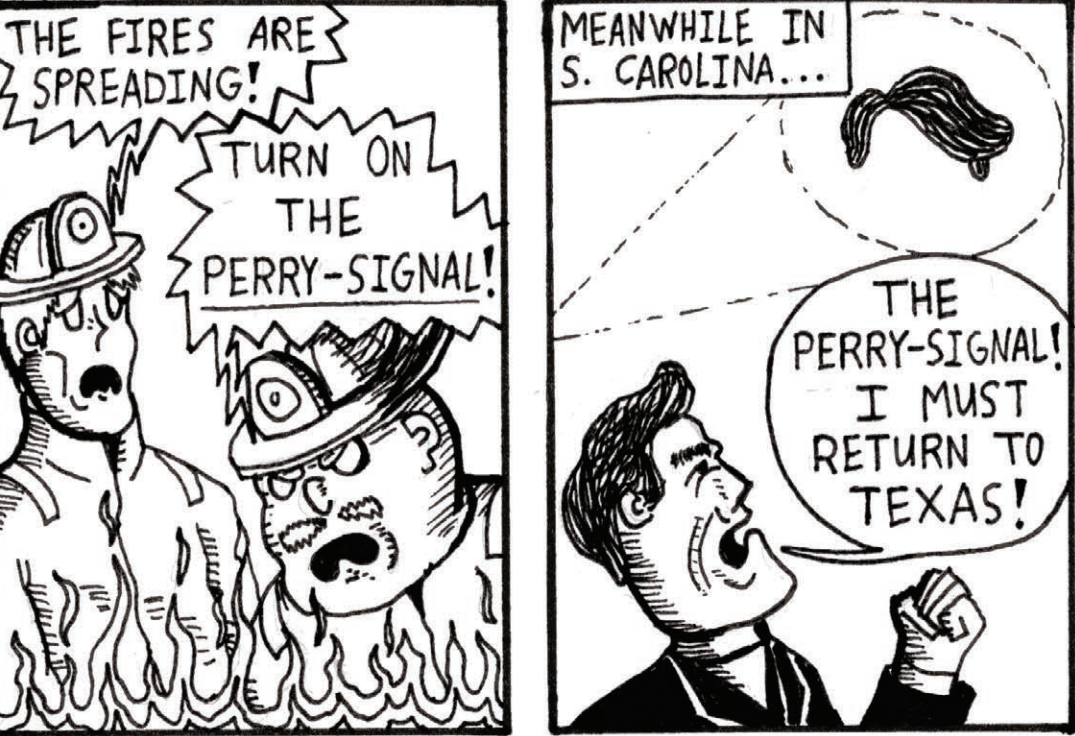


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Runners, bikers can beat triple-digit temperatures

By Sarah-Grace Sweeney
Daily Texan Staff

Staying fit is one of the challenges students face upon entering college. Sometimes it is because of a busy schedule, other times because watching “Project Runway” just sounds like more fun than spending some quality time at Gregory Gym. Lately, however, the record-breaking temperatures may have something to do with the challenge. As Austin temperatures continue to break records, running junkies or those who are looking to start a running or biking routine this year should keep a few tips in mind.

Austin does have some good, shaded parks for exercising. Human biology senior Nadia Khan, president of the Texas Running Club, recommends running in places such as Waller Creek, Town Lake or Shoal Creek. She also stresses the importance of the time of day to run. “The running club runs everyday at 7 p.m.,” Khan said. “Ideally you should run at about 7:30 p.m or 7 a.m.,” avoiding the merciless mid-day rays.

Staying hydrated is another key element of being safe while exercising outdoors.

“Drink fluids, even if you are not thirsty,” said Sherry Bell of University Health Services. “Especially if the humidity is high, because it is harder for sweat to evaporate and cool you off in humidity.”

Khan recommends drinking a lot of water before running, and recovering with a sports drink or, as

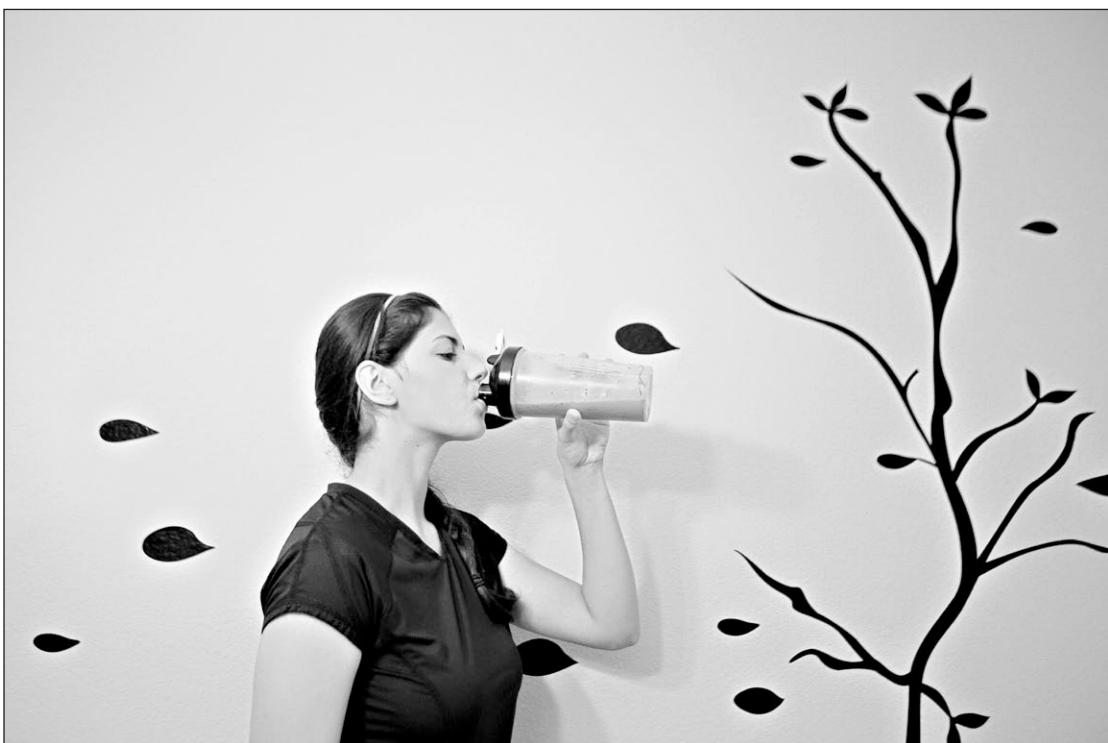


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People could exercise safely by drinking plenty of fluids and ending a workout with a recovery drink.

a June study by UT’s College of Education’s Department of Kinesiology and Health Education suggested, with a glass of chocolate milk. Both agree that drinking coffee or other diuretics should be avoided. “Some foods also have a lot of water, like strawberries, watermelon, and it takes your body longer to digest those, so water retention there is better,” Khan said. “Just keep in mind what you eat as well as drink.”

Paying attention to wardrobe

isn’t a bad idea either. “Wear looser clothing that doesn’t cover all of your skin,” Bell said. “That will keep you cooler than any tight or layered clothing.” Khan also suggested wearing athletic clothing that keeps you dry as well as functional, rather than fashionable, sunglasses.

Know your limits if you choose to run in more extreme conditions. Khan says dizziness, black spots in your field of vision, goose bumps or cottonmouth are all signs to slow down and take it easy, because you

may be suffering from heat exhaustion or dehydration. The University Health Services also offers a whole list of symptoms of heat exhaustion or heat stroke. Being knowledgeable about those symptoms can help runners recognize their stopping point.

The goals of running should remain having fun and feeling good. Khan suggests running with friends, saying it can help keep you motivated and make time go by faster, especially in the 100-degree weather.

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AntiGravity Yoga, it was a completely different game. It was challenging, but very relaxing,” Ng said.

Ng’s favorite AntiGravity Yoga pose is called “The Cocoon,” where you lie flat on your back, completely enveloped in silk, swaying in time with the rise and fall of your breath. When he teaches the introductory AntiGravity class, Shrader likes to end the session with this pose.

“Normally, workouts are very tense. Regular yoga classes require a still mind and a still body, but here, in that pose, you’re fully extended and wrapped in the hammock. It’s very comforting and you can get lost in there for a while,” Shrader said.

Classes at Fit to the Core are intimate, each with only five students to one instructor, held in a cozy yet peaceful studio. Because of the small class size, instructors are able to tailor the class regimen to their individual needs and abilities.

The AntiGravity Yoga franchise,

which was officially launched in 2007 by dancer Christopher Harrison in New York, claims that after an hour and a half class, through spinal decompression, students can leave nearly a quarter inch taller.

“When we’re inverted, gravity forces our head back down to the floor so it elongates your spine and stretches the cartilage between each vertebra,” Shrader said.

But when it all comes down to it, Shrader hopes to maintain an engaging atmosphere in his classes.

“By adding in this fun twist to yoga, you can get a great work out

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while feeling like a kid again, so you’re not necessarily focused on negative things, like ‘I can’t lift this weight.’ You’re just having a good time being comfortable in the air,” Shrader said.

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Anita Bear watches as Charlotte Peel performs the star pose at Fit to the Core Yoga on Saturday morning. Fit to the Core is one of the only yoga studios in the country that offers AntiGravity yoga, a new fitness trend in which participants do poses while suspended in the air.

Yoga studio loses its sense of gravity

By Sara Benner
Daily Texan Staff

"We're always pounding into the pavement, whether we're walking, sitting or running," Travis Shrader says as he hangs upside-down from the ceiling in a white silk hammock. As he swings comfortably and nimbly in it, he shares his enjoyment in teaching fitness classes that allow students to feel empowered with childlike wonder.

A UT alumnus, Shrader is the

owner of Fit to the Core, a yoga studio that specializes in the latest trend in exercise, AntiGravity Yoga. This new style of yoga is a strenuous yet fun blend of gymnastics, calisthenics and Pilates, all performed in a woven silk hammock.

"I was a little intimidated," Shrader, remembering the first AntiGravity Yoga class he took in New York with his wife. He recalls a lot of silliness and laughter, as his fellow yogis attempted their first inversions, or upside-down suspensions.

"We had such a great time that we couldn't stop thinking about it, talking about it and wanting to take [the class] again. We just got hooked," he said.

After Shrader and his wife moved back to Austin, they opened the first and only AntiGravity Yoga studio in Texas to spread the euphoria they felt in their first class.

"I think a big reason why it's so fun is, especially for your first time, it takes you back to a real childlike state, swinging and flipping. We have people who come in here who are like 50

years old and once they flip, and they come up with a smile, saying, 'Oh my God, I haven't done that since I was in high school,'" Shrader said.

Ka Ying Ng, a business sophomore and recent student at Fit to the Core, said the full body workout that AntiGravity provides is very physically challenging.

"I feel like whenever I practice yoga, it's all about meditation — the flow and the breath. But with

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UT Aikido practitioners 'unify life with energy'

By Lindsay Cherner
Daily Texan Staff

The attacker extends his arm, grabs his partner's wrist and begins to circle at a quick pace while his partner remains centered. His partner receives the attacker's energy and changes it into circular energy, creating a harmonious spiral downwards as his attacker falls to the ground completely unharmed.

Aikido is a form of martial art originating from Japan and developed by martial artist Morihei Ueshiba that focuses on self-defense based on relaxed coordination of mind and body, rather than physical strength. Aikido translates to "the way of unifying life with energy" and the practitioner's goal is not to obliterate an opponent, but rather to resolve conflict by defending themselves while also protecting their attacker from injury.

"It's difficult to describe in words; even when people see it, they don't understand it," said instructor Steve

McAdam, a student from the first Aikido class in 1972. "One student came up to me and said, 'I don't believe it's real; I think it's choreographed,' but it's something you just have to feel."

The Aikido club members agreed that Aikido could only be felt, but made attempts to show what their bodies were doing. Toward the end of the advanced class, a wooden sword was removed from its case and the attacker held it raised behind his head.

He swiftly ran at the student as he lowered the sword, and in seconds, the attacker was on his stomach unharmed, while the student had remained centered and focused — now with the attacker's sword tucked behind his

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